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## City Gains Five New Precincts For June 3

Torrance voters will go to the polls in 45 different locations throughout the city for the June 3 primaries, it was announced yesterday by City Clerk A. H. Bartlett.

Receipts of the official precinct lists from Benjamin Hite, county registrar of voters, revealed that the city now has 43 precincts—and that two of the newer precincts have two boards.

A complete list of Torrance precincts follows. Voters will be sent notices of their precinct again by the registrar of voters.

- No. 1.—North Torrance Elementary School
- No. 2.—2508 Sierra St.
- No. 3.—736 Border Ave.
- No. 4.—1743 Andree Ave.
- No. 5.—City Hall, 1511 Cravens
- No. 6.—2305 Torrance Blvd
- No. 7.—1323 Beech
- No. 8.—1804 Arlington
- No. 9.—2204 Andree Ave.
- No. 10.—2079 Reynosa Dr.
- No. 11.—1613 Madrid Ave.
- No. 12.—3851 W. 242nd St.
- No. 13.—908 Cota Ave.
- No. 14.—1609 Amapola Ave.
- No. 15.—1920 Andree
- No. 16.—Walteria Elementary School
- No. 17.—1307 Portola
- No. 18.—904 Crenshaw
- No. 19.—Sepulveda and Ocean
- No. 20.—17831 Prairie Ave.
- No. 21.—1314 Fern Ave.
- No. 22.—1350 Engracia Ave.
- No. 23.—23811 Eshelman
- No. 24.—205 Via Colusa
- No. 25.—5321 Linda Dr.
- No. 26.—23109 Huber Ave.
- No. 27.—23077 Doris Way
- No. 28.—200 Via la Circula
- No. 29.—724 Calle de Arboles
- No. 30.—816 Calle de Arboles
- No. 31.—5112 Macafee Road
- No. 32.—2435 Cabrillo Ave.
- No. 33.—24418 Wilcox Dr.
- No. 34.—3319 W. 171st St.
- No. 35.—2131 W. 182nd St.
- No. 36.—(1)—131 Via la Circula (2)—140 Via la Circula
- No. 37.—416 Calle Mayor
- No. 38.—1109 Teri Ave.
- No. 39.—3216 Danahia St.
- No. 40.—16403 Wilton Pl.
- No. 41.—2250 W. 182nd St.

## Police Jail Two On Burglary as Loot Is Found

Arrest of two men on suspicion of burglary and the recovery of \$6000 worth of auto parts and tools Tuesday may have brought an end to a car stripping ring which has operated in the Harbor area for several months, according to San Pedro detectives.

Jailed after witnesses reported seeing them loading equipment from a Wilmington service station into a waiting car were Jay V. Ellis, 29, of 163 W. 223rd St., and Marcus E. Milford, 25, of Hawthorne, according to Detectives C. H. Simon and Chet Baldrige.

Police found hundreds of dollars worth of auto accessories in Ellis' garage, and reported finding some at the home of Milford.

Both men refused to comment on the recovery of the items or their complicity in the thefts.

## Death of Cattle Still Unsolved By Sheriff's Men

Why sixty-six head of cattle dropped dead while feeding in a pen at Spencer and Earl Sts. last month is still a mystery to investigating sheriff's deputies and state health officers, it was learned yesterday.

Lt. C. E. Gregory of the Lennox sheriff's office said that crime lab tests proved conclusively that no "volatile, metallic or alkaloidal" poison was found in the animal's stomachs or in samples of food which were tested.

Poisoning of the food or water was first suspected by owner George Agajanian. All of the cattle fell dead within a two-hour period.

L. Gregory also indicated that no trace of possible eye, ear, nose or throat injuries, such as electric shock, was found. Samples of celery greens fed to the cattle prior to death was tested for arsenic spray, but laboratory experts said any traces of the poison found were too weak to have caused death.

Agajanian valued the loss at \$19,000.

## GP Tax Specialist To Attend Confab

R. I. Plomert Jr. will represent the General Petroleum Corp. at the national Real Estate and Tax Meeting of the Socony Vacuum Oil Co., Inc., in Chicago, June 3 and 4, it was announced yesterday. He is president of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce.

## \$500,000 Home Tract Plans Handed City

Planned for submission to the Planning Commission for approval last evening were tract maps for a \$500,000 new home development between 238th St. and 237th St. west of Narbonne Ave.

Submitted by James S. Dresser, building inspector for Torrance, and James L. Walker of Los Angeles, the new tract will contain 52 homes and provides for a commercial area fronting Narbonne Ave.

The new tract will be just south of the new Howard Wood Elementary School.

Provided for in the new tract are paved streets, curbs, sidewalks and ornamental street lighting, according to Dresser. The lots will be 50 feet by 106 feet.

The developers plan to construct two and three bedroom ranch type houses with stucco and redwood exteriors. The houses will have living rooms with views both to the front and rear, garbage disposals, attached garages, and will feature modern architectural color schemes and designs.

Construction will begin as soon as final approval is granted, Dresser said.

In the meantime, the city was preparing to let its belt out another notch as officials were busy preparing permits for a 50-home development in North Torrance to be constructed by the Barton Construction Co.

The homes, which will be on Faysmith, Glenburn and Falda Aves. between 166th St. and 168th St., will cost about \$500,000, officials report.

The permits will put the total issued for May over the \$2,000,000 mark and take another giant stride toward a record

## Motorcyclist Dies Instantly In Truck Crash

Killed instantly yesterday when he was thrown beneath the wheels of a transit mix concrete truck was 28-year-old Ernest King, of 20428 S. Lawrence Ave.

King was killed when his motorcycle collided with the truck at East Rd. and Normandie Ave. He was pronounced dead at the San Pedro Receiving Hospital.

An employee of the Cal-Metal Corp., a pipe manufacturing plant at Normandie and Sepulveda, King was living with his sister, Mrs. Daniel F. Cup, at the time of his death.

The body was removed to Stone and Myers Mortuary where funeral arrangements are pending.

## Fuse Contract Awarded

Award of a \$250,000 military contract to the Harvey Machine Co. for metal parts for rocket fuses was announced this week.

## Detectives Prepare Phony Check Charges

Detective Sgt. Percy Bennett, Torrance Police Department, this week prepared to file charges with the district attorney's office against two Torrance men involved in separate check-writing deals within the last two months.

One man is Edward Pope, unemployed engineer, who is charged with passing \$175 worth of bum checks to local merchants and a \$100 worth of checks at the Los Angeles Biltmore Hotel.

Bennett said that it would be possible to file at least six felony fictitious check counts against Pope, plus a charge of impersonating a police officer and a malicious mischief count.

Pope allegedly told local merchants that he was a Torrance police officer when he cashed the rubber checks.

Currently in the county jail, Pope pleaded guilty before City Judge Otto B. Willett to one count, a misdemeanor, of issuing a phony check.

The other charge was being prepared against H. Christensen, formerly of 711 Pine Dr. Also now in county jail for violation of parole, Christensen reportedly passed five worthless checks in Torrance and two in Hawthorne. They total

## Firm May Test Light 'Copter At Airport Here

Plans to test a tiny helicopter at the Torrance Municipal Airport in the near future were revealed this week.

The midget 'copter, developed by the American Helicopter Co., is reputed to be the smallest helicopter procured by the armed forces. It weighs less than 300 pounds and can be collapsed for stowing in a 5 x 5 x 14 feet container.

The craft is powered by two pulse jet engines, each mounted on the tip of the rotor blades. The machine has a top speed of 80 miles an hour and can be run on virtually any type of petroleum fuel.

Planned for use by the Army for observation and courier missions, the light 'copter can be dropped by parachute in its container, reassembled, and put in the air within 20 minutes, its developers report.



"FOR SERVICE TO VETS" . . . City Clerk A. H. Bartlett is presented with a citation by J. G. Caldwell, now 7th District Commander of the Disabled American Veterans, for "outstanding service in behalf of this organization and for assisting veterans who are disabled in the wartime service of their country." The citation is the first presented by the local chapter.

## Ballot Battalion To Hold Election

Election of general chairman to head the Torrance Ballot Battalion will take place at a meeting to be held in the City Council chambers next Wednesday evening, May 23, it was announced yesterday by Paul Lorange, who has been heading the group as its temporary chairman.

Nominated for the position have been Russ Eagan, Jack Dabbs and W. E. Bowen. Each has indicated that he would accept the position if elected, Lorange said.

Formation of the Ballot Battalion here was done as part of a nationwide, non-political drive spearheaded by Kiwanis International in an effort to arouse the American public to accept the responsibility for voting.

Throughout the handbook issued by the Kiwanis International, is the theme that ballot battalions must be kept "out of politics."

The published aims of the organization is to (1) conduct community-wide campaigns to register every eligible voter; (2) assist the general public in obtaining the views of all candidates, and the principles for which they stand; and (3) sponsor non-partisan, get-out-the-vote campaigns on a community-wide basis, utilizing all available media, and community leadership in promoting such campaigns.

To emphasize the importance of the need to get out the vote, battalion officials pointed out that Thomas Jefferson was elected president by one vote in the electoral college.

Just one vote gave statehood to California, Idaho, Oregon, Texas and Washington. Other examples of how one vote decided great issues may also be found.

- Where's the Fire?
- Torrance fire department responded to the following fire calls this week:
- SUNDAY:
    - 5:28 p.m.—2200 Torrance Blvd., grass.
    - 5:57 p.m.—203rd St. and Maple Ave., grass.
  - MONDAY:
    - 3:12 p.m.—Amie and Emerald Aves., grass.
    - 3:35 p.m.—Paseo de Gracia vicinity, grass.
  - TUESDAY:
    - 10:59 a.m.—Torrance Blvd. and Sartori Ave., gasoline leak.
  - YESTERDAY:
    - 3:20 p.m.—174th St. and Atkinson Ave., grass.



WILD RIDE . . . Driver Charles De Ainza pressed on the brake pedal of his late model sedan as he headed east on Sepulveda Blvd. near Pennsylvania Ave. to slow for another car Tuesday, and whoosh!—nothing happened. De Ainza took to the tulleis, skidded 75 feet across this grassy field, smacked a telephone pole and came to rest across Pennsylvania Ave. When Officer Don Nash arrived at the scene, there was nary a driver in sight. De Ainza had hitched a ride up the street and phoned for a tow car. His auto was badly smashed on one side.

## LOOKING FOR A NEEDLE

In a haystack is the good old way of saying it's hard to find a lost article. It takes a lot of time, too, to look in every likely place for a lost animal or wallet or the like. That's why smart folks put an ad in the classified section whenever one of their possessions is lost.

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WELCOME ABOARD . . . Bus driver M. Eidy helps passengers Mrs. Bonnie Lee Crovella, left and Miss Mary Silva aboard his waiting Greyhound bus for the first day of resumed normal bus travel. The large omnibus started rolling Tuesday morning after being garaged for more than six weeks because of a strike by drivers.

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